

# TROOP 608 BUGLE



Newsletter for Troop 608 [www.T608BSA.org](http://www.T608BSA.org)

## CHARTER CHAT

### Upcoming Events

ASM/Committee Training and Retreat  
Saturday, Jan. 10, 8:30 am until dinner.  
141 LePort Dr., Pensacola Beach. All  
adults are welcome to attend, even if  
you aren't an ASM or Committee  
member (yet). The session will include  
Fast Start, an overview of the scout  
program, youth protection training, and  
lunch. After lunch there will be a social  
and dinner hosted by the Green Hat  
Society that spouses are welcome to  
attend. Please RSVP ASAP 434-2700.

### Attention Patrol Leaders

Due to circumstances, the Bugle will not be  
mailed to scouts who did not attend this court of  
honor. All Patrol leaders and ASMs are asked  
to help get copies to the scouts who are not  
here.

### Registration Time Once Again

All troop members are asked to turn in  
their registration fees and dues for the  
upcoming year. Dues are \$78.00, and  
includes registration, Boy's Life ,  
advancement patches, awards, troop  
equipment and administrative costs. If  
you have any concerns regarding your  
payment(s), contact Randy Werre at  
434-2700.

*For this edition of the newsletter, I'd like to take a moment to recognize those Scouting moms and spouses. Uniforms are clean, schedules are kept straight, and Scouts and Scouters everywhere have YOU to thank. This is for you. Happy Holidays! --Jim Matson, Chartered Organization Representative*

If your laundry routine includes inspecting for red shoulder tabs ... you might be a Scouter's wife or a Scout's mother.

If a dab of Coleman fuel behind each ear is more alluring to your husband than Chanel No. 5 ... you might be a Scouter's wife.

If your laundry routine includes inspecting for blue cards in shirt pockets ... you might be a Scout's mother.

If a Monday night family dinner consists of Whoppers in the car in the church parking lot ... you might be a Scouter's wife and a Scout's mother.

If your only real vacation in 5 years involves driving from Florida to North Carolina with a carload of boys ... you might be a Scouter's wife.

If your husband plans a "night out with the boys", and you know that it will be a night outdoors with boys ... you might be a Scouter's wife.

If you spend your honeymoon wearing green shorts and knee socks ... you might be a new Scouter's wife.

If your husband mutters in his sleep about a ticket, and you know he wasn't caught speeding ... you might be a Scouter's wife.

If you've converted your dining room into an office, and your garage looks like L.L. Bean's attic ... you might be a Scouter's wife.

If your husband's tan line starts just above his knees, and ends three inches below his knees ... you might be a Scouter's wife.

If you have shelves of coffee mugs, and you don't drink coffee ... you might be a Scouter's wife.

If your best china cup has a 1965 Camporee logo on it ... you might be a scouter's wife.

If your husband has disappeared, and you know you can always find him at Wal-Mart ... you might be a SCOUTMASTER'S wife.

If you tell your husband you are expecting to hear the patter of little feet, and he thinks the patrol meeting is at your house...you might be a Scouter's wife.

If your family car seats 8, even though there are only 4 in your family ...  
you might be a Scouter's wife.

# AWARDS & ADVANCEMENT

. The Scouts of Troop 608 have been busy again this past quarter. Eleven different merit badges were earned, nine boys advanced in rank, and one special award was recieved;

<b>Citizenship in the World*</b>	Chris Werre	
<b>Communications*</b>	Tommy Jacobson	<b>Computers</b>
Paul Gatterdam	Tim Hrbacek , Michael Jones ,	
Frankie	Mariano ,	Patrick Sheldon , John
Steele ,	Chris Werre	
<b>Dentistry</b>		Collin Verge <b>Emergency</b>
<b>Prep*</b>	Daniel Danforth	<b>Family Life*</b>
Alex Bortone		Damon
Mitchell	<b>Fingerprinting</b>	Gregory Harrison
<b>Fishing</b>		Alex Bortone <b>Personal</b>
<b>Personal Fitness*</b>		Tyler Marshall <b>Reptile/</b>
<b>Managment*</b>		Robert Godwin
<b>Amphibian</b>		

Advancements in Rank to...	<b>Tenderfoot</b>
Andrew Scarborough, Robert Vaughn	
<b>2nd Class</b>	Chris Dukes, Doug Nesvick, Gabriel Roberson, Zach Roberts Patrick Sheldon
<b>Star</b>	Daniel Danforth Paul Gatterdam
<b>World Conservation Special Award</b>	Chris Werre

**Service Stars** Tyler Barber, 1 year; Colin Fitzgerald and Tyler Marshall for 3 years, Mark Robertson for 6 years, Lori Harvill for 9 years and 12 of Scouting to Jim Matson.



## Computer Whiz

Eleven scouts, along with 90 others from the District, participated in the First Annual **PJC Merit Badge Day**. Scouts spent the day on the Warrington Campus, working on and earning merit badges. A fun time was had by all-let's go again next year!

## Thanks Sew Much Ladies

A special **Thank You** goes to **Evie Dampier** and **Vicki Mariano** for "**Badges for Bucks.**" These troop moms come to the meetings and sew on patches, donating the 50 cents per patch to the troop.

## We Care About Christmas

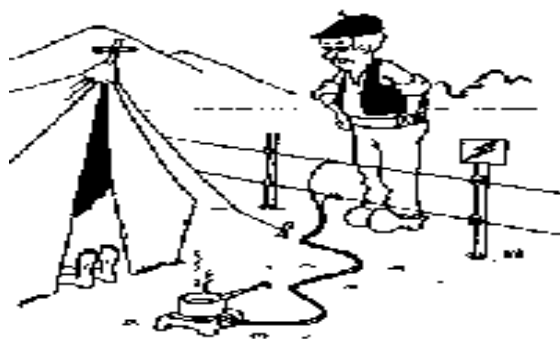
The Scouts of Troop 608 participated in the **USO Care Packages** that were sent to our military men and women serving overseas. Scouts collected and donated such necessities and nicities such as wet wipes and Kleenex, magazines, sporting news, hard candy, playing cards, Christmas decorations, and many other things. We are proud of our boys giving to others in this time of giving.

## Wood Badge Is the Ticket

Five of our ASMs are working on their PhD in Scouting by attending the Council's Wood Badge training program. They are now members of "Troop One" of England, founded by Baden Powell at the very first Woodbadge class. Chris Hrbacek is the Patrol Leader of the Beaver Patrol. Dan Danforth is an Eagle, Kelly Verge is an Owl, David Mayall is a Bear, and Kim Sheldon is an Antelope.

Each of these men have completed the training, but have to complete a "ticket" of self-selected requirements to earn their new neckerchief and scarves.

Woodbadge is considered the best available course in management, as well as a fun way to meet other leaders and national reps. If you haven't considered taking the Woodbadge course, just ask any "beady".



Those Woodbadge guys know all the tricks!